GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SUBHA YATRA SCHEME .
Gadakh Shri Tukaram Gangadhar

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Railways have introduced Subha Yatra Scheme;

(b) If so, the details and response thereof;

(c) Whether the Railways are considering to extend the scheme for all classes in which it is presently not applicable;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) & (b): With a view to improve the patronisation of higher classes, where occupancy level is relatively low as compared to that in Sleeper class and 3-AC classes, a Scheme of Frequent Travellers (SOFT), which is also known as Shubh Yatra has been launched in the month of February, 2006, which is applicable to 1st AC, 2AC and AC Chair Car Classes. A Frequent Traveller will get a complimentary train trip after certain numbers of reward points are accumulated.

(c) to (e): Since there is already relatively higher demand in other classes, at present, there is no such proposal under consideration to extend this Scheme to other classes.